PATENT APPLICATION **HEWLETT-PACKARD COMPANY** ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 10008113-4 Intellectual Property Administration P. O. Box 272400 Fort Collins, Colorado 80527-2400 'n 310 IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE I hereby certify that this is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" sarvice under 37 CFR 1.10 on and is Eipated Classification of this application: CFR 1.10 on addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 **Class** 427 Subclass Prior application: "Express Mail" label no. EL 780515103 Michener, Jennifer Kolb Examiner: OR () I hereby certify that this paper is being transmitted Art Unit: 1762 to the Patent and Trademark Office facsimile number C mmissioner For Patents Number of pages: PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Typed Name: Timothy F. Myers Signature: REQUEST FOR A CONTINUING APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1 Sir: This is a request for filing a continuing application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) a () continuation application of: (X) divisional application of: **Pending Prior Application** Application No. __09/877,896 Jun 07, 2001 Title Pharmaceutical Dispensing Apparatus and Method Name of applicant(s) Winthrop D. Childers **Copy of Application** (X) Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the drawings. () Enclosed is a new specification, including new drawings. Oath or Declaration (X) Enclosed is a copy of the prior Declaration (37 CFR 1.63(d)). () Enclosed is a newly executed Declaration (original or copy). Foreign Priority - 35 USC 119 () Foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 has been claimed in prior Application No. _ in () The certified copy has been filed in prior Application No. __

() A separate paper claiming direct priority to a foreign application is enclosed herewith. A certified copy

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of the foreign application will be provided in due course.

-- Cross Reference To Related Application(s)--;

(X) Amend the specification after the title by inserting the following heading:

of copending application number 09/877,896

which is hereby incorporated by reference herein.

and add the paragraph:

-- This is a () continuation

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Invent rship Statement

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- (X) Before calculating the filing fee, amend the prior application as follows:
 - of the (X) Cancel the following claims 1-11 and 27-30 prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes).
 - () Enter the enclosed Preliminary Amendment.

Fee Calculation

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BASIC FEE: Design (\$330.00); Utility (\$750.00)			\$	750		
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Respectfully submitted,

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